

REMARKS

In the non-final Office Action, dated February 8, 2006, the Examiner allows claims 1-68 and objects to the disclosure as not containing an Abstract.

By the present amendment, Applicants add an Abstract on a separate sheet of paper. No new matter has been added by way of the present amendment. Claims 1-68 remain pending.

Applicants note with appreciation the indication that claims 1-68 are allowable over the art of record.

In the Office Action, the Examiner objects to the disclosure as not containing an Abstract. Applicants provide a new Abstract herewith on a separate sheet of paper. Accordingly, Applicants respectfully request that the objection to the disclosure be reconsidered and withdrawn.

In view of the foregoing amendment and remarks, Applicants respectfully request the Examiner's reconsideration of this application, and the timely allowance of the pending claims.

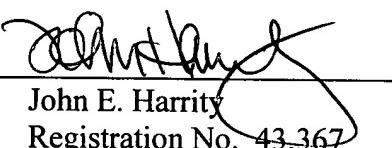
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To the extent necessary, a petition for an extension of time under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136 is hereby made. Please charge any shortage in fees due in connection with the filing of this paper, including extension of time fees, to Deposit Account No. 07-2347 and please credit any excess fees to such deposit account.

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Attachment: New Abstract